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## NEBRASKA'S 2007 CORN AND SOYBEAN YIELDS AT RECORD HIGHS

LINCOLN, Neb., September 12, 2007 -- Based on September 1 conditions, Nebraska's **corn** crop is forecast at 1.51 billion bushels, 4 percent above last month and 29 percent above last year, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Nebraska Field Office. Yield is forecast at 174 bushels per acre, highest of record, 6 bushels above last month, and 22 bushels above a year ago. The previous record high yield of 166 bushels per acres was set in 2004. Area to be harvested for grain remained at 8.7 million acres, up 12 percent from a year ago. "Field counts have indicated a record high plant population and ear count. This combined with improved moisture conditions from a year ago have boosted yield prospects," said Joseph Parsons, Director of the Nebraska Field Office.

**Soybean** production in Nebraska is forecast at 205 million bushels, up 4 percent from last month but 18 percent below last year. Acres for harvest, at 3.95 million, are unchanged from last month and down over 1 million acres from a year ago. Yield is forecast at a record high 52 bushels per acre, up 2 bushels per acre from August and 2 bushels above 2006. The previous record high of 50.5 bushels per acre was set in 2005. Near record high pods per acre have pushed yield potential.

**Sorghum** production in Nebraska is forecast at 14.7 million bushels, up 3 percent from the August forecast but down 23 percent from last year. Acres for harvest, at 150,000, are unchanged and down 38 percent from the previous year. Yield forecast, at 98 bushels per acre, is up 3 bushels from the previous month, 18 bushels from last year, and equals the record high set in 1994.

**Sugarbeet** production of 1.04 million tons is up 7 percent from last month but down 23 percent from 2006 due to less acres planted this year. Yield, at 23.3 tons per acre, is up 1.8 tons from last month and equal to a year ago.

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